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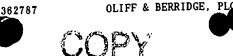
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PATENT APPLICATION

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE **TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 2831**

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Yukie NAKANO et al.

Group Art Unit: 2831

Application No.: 09/865,575

Examiner:

E. Thomas

Filed: May 29, 2001

Docket No.: 109639

MULTILAYER CERAMIC CAPACITOR AND PRODUCTION METHOD THEREOF

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the September 4, 2002, Office Action and the interview held September 27, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 2 and 7 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.

Please replace claim 1 as follows:

(Twice Amended) A multilayer ceramic capacitor comprising: 1. internal electrode layers; and

dielectric layers, the dielectric layers comprising particles, wherein an average particle diameter (R), in a direction parallel with said internal electrode layers, is larger than a thickness (d) of said dielectric layer, wherein a ratio (R/d) between said average particle diameter (R) and the thickness (d) of said dielectric layer satisfies 1 < R/d < 3, and wherein the thickness (d) of said dielectric layer is less than 3 μm .